

X Army-McCarthy Hearing
X Symington
16 June 1954
X Dallas

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR:

In view of Symington's statement that he would have a statement on CIA and OSS for tomorrow's hearing, it is recommended that you make no statement at this time, and certainly not until after Senator Symington has had his opportunity to answer McCarthy.

However, should you feel that you must immediately make a statement, it is recommended that you say:

"McCarthy is still making false charges.

"There are no Communists in the CIA.

"McCarthy has shown carelessness for the national security by not having all of his staff members security-cleared when they had access to classified material. That is alarming.

"I am pleased to find McCarthy laudatory of J. Edgar Hoover, who heads the FBI which handles security clearances within the United States and whose organization is the one to check McCarthy's security and that of his staff."

I assume that you will get in touch tonight with Stuart Symington in view of his statement that he will have something tomorrow on McCarthy, CIA, and OSS.

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